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DATE: JUNE 15, 1978

SUBJECT: NORTH YEMEN SIT REP

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THE SITUATION IN NORTH YEMEN FOLLOWING THE BLOODLESS MILITARY TAKEOVER BY DEPUTY COMMANDER OF THE ARMED FORCES, COLONEL HANDE, ON JUNE 13. HANDE APPEARS TO BE IN EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF THE WHOLE COUNTRY. HE HAS FORMED A NEW AND EXPANDED MILITARY COMMAND COUNCIL, RAISED THE RAGES OF MILITARY AND CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, AND ABOLISHED AN OFFICIAL BUT LARGELY INACTIVE POLITICAL PARTY. THE FORMER CABINET HAS BEEN RETAINED, HOWEVER, AND HANDE SAYS THAT HE WILL MAINTAIN CONTINUITY IN FOREIGN POLICY. HE HAS ALSO PROMISED ELECTIONS AND A RETURN TO CIVILIAN RULE WITHIN SIX MONTHS.

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HABDI WAS YET TO BE ASSURED OF SUPPORT FROM IMPORTANT TRIBAL LEADERS, INCLUDING SHEIKH AL-AMIR, WHO HEADS THE CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY DISSOLVED BY HABDI. AL-AMIR HOWEVER, IS LESS LIKELY TO MOVE AGAINST HIM FOLLOWING SAUDI ARABIA'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR THE NEW GOVERNMENT ON JUNE 14. E-2 IMPDET-1

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